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INTERNET SECURITY CENTRE
SUBODH MOHITE

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Society for Electronic Transactions and security has received a request from the States for setting up its base in the States alongwith Internet security centre;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;

(c) whether the Government have set up a committee headed by Dr. M. Vidyasagar to examine the matter relating to internet security in the country;

(d) if so, the recommendations made by the committee; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SA PASWAN)

(a) and (b): No, Sir. However, the Society for Electronic Transactions and Security (SETS) is lookingfor a space to set up its operational headquarters. Representatives of a few State Governments have made presentations to the Board of Directors ofSETS in this context for a decision by the Board.

(c),(d) and (e): Yes, Sir. A Committee, with Dr. M. Vidyasagar as Chairman, was set-up in March, 2001 by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India to examine various aspects related to information security. The main recommendation of that Committee was to register a non- profit society for looking after all aspects related to information security in the country. On the basis of that recommendation, the SETSwas registered with the Registrar of Societies, Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi, under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 on the 22nd of May, 2002.